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For: RIBBED WASHING MACHINE  
BASKET

Art Unit: 1746

Examiner: Stinson, Frankie L.

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**TRANSMITTAL**

1. Transmitted herewith is:

- Response to Restriction Requirement dated May 18, 2005 (1 page)
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**STATUS**

2. Applicant

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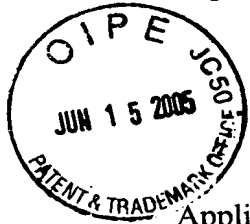
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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This amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated May 18, 2005.

Reconsideration of the restriction requirement imposed under 35 U.S.C. § 121 is respectfully requested.

Applicants elect, with traverse, the species of Figure 4. Applicants submit that Claims 1-13 and 15-20 are generic, and Claim 14 is in the elected group.

The requirement for election is traversed because the species are clearly related. Applicants respectfully submit that a thorough search and examination of any particular species would be relevant to the examination of the other species, and would not be a serious burden on the Examiner. Additionally, requirements for election are not mandatory under 35 U.S.C. 121. Accordingly, reconsideration of the election requirement is requested.

Reconsideration and favorable action is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,

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### EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

- (a) \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136  
(Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

Extension for response within:	Other than small entity Fee	Small entity Fee (if applicable)
_____ first month	\$ 120.00	\$ 60.00
_____ second month	\$ 450.00	\$ 225.00
_____ third month	\$ 1,020.00	\$ 510.00
_____ fourth month	\$1,590.00	\$ 795.00
_____ fifth month	\$2,160.00	\$1,080.00

Fee: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

*(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)*

\_\_\_\_\_ An extension of \_\_\_\_\_ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor \$\_\_\_\_\_ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$\_\_\_\_\_

OR

- (b)   X   Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

## FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	ADDITIONAL RATE FEE	OR	ADDITIONAL RATE FEE
		MINUS		=	x \$25.00 = \$		x \$50.00 = \$
TOTAL INDEP.		MINUS		=	x \$100.00 = \$		x \$200.00 = \$
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					+ \$180.00 = \$		+ \$360.00 = \$
					TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$	OR	TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$

(a) ☒ No additional fee for Claims is required

**OR**

(b) ☐ Total additional fee for claims required \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## FEE PAYMENT

5. Attached is a check in the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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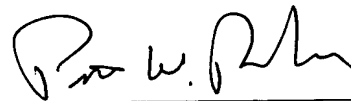
## FEE DEFICIENCY

6. ☒ If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

**AND/OR**

☒ If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384.

7. ☐ Other:



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